

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senator Burriss read Washington's Farewell Address.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S595–S675*

**Measures Introduced:** Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3012–3016, and S. Res. 418. **Page S620**

#### **Measures Passed:**

***Social Security Disability Applicant's Access to Professional Representation Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 4532, to provide for permanent extension of the attorney fee withholding procedures under title II of the Social Security Act to title XVI of such Act, and to provide for permanent extension of such procedures under titles II and XVI of such Act to qualified non-attorney representatives, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S673**

***Assault of Women and the Killing of Political Protesters in Guinea:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 345, deploring the rape and assault of women in Guinea and the killing of political protesters on September 28, 2009, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S673–74**

Brown (OH) (for Boxer/Feingold) Amendment No. 3321, to amend the resolving clause. **Page S674**

Brown (OH) (for Boxer/Feingold) Amendment No. 3322, to amend the preamble. **Page S674**

Brown (OH) (for Boxer/Feingold) Amendment No. 3323, to amend the title. **Page S674**

#### **Measures Considered:**

**Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act:** Senate resumed consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2847, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S600–13**

#### **Pending:**

Senator Reid entered a motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with Reid Amendment No. 3310 (to the House Amendment to the Senate Amendment), in the nature of a substitute. **Page S600**

Reid Amendment No. 3311 (to Amendment No. 3310), to change the enactment date. **Page S600**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 62 yeas to 30 nays (Vote No. 23), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate with Reid Amendment No. 3310 (to the House Amendment to the Senate Amendment), in the nature of a substitute, to the bill. **Page S610**

Motion to refer in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the Committee on Appropriations, with instructions, Reid Amendment No. 3312, to provide for a study, fell when cloture was invoked on the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate with Reid Amendment No. 3310 (to the House Amendment to the Senate Amendment), in the nature of a substitute, to the bill. **Pages S600, S610**

Reid Amendment No. 3313 (to Amendment No. 3312), of a perfecting nature, fell when Reid Amendment No. 3312 fell. **Page S600**

Reid Amendment No. 3314 (to Amendment No. 3313), of a perfecting nature, fell when Reid Amendment No. 3313 fell. **Page S600**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, February 23, 2010, and that time during any period of morning business, recess, or adjournment count post-cloture. **Page S674**

**Washington's Farewell Address:** Senator Burriss performed the traditional reading of Washington's Farewell Address. **Pages S595–99**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Larry Robinson, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere.

Robert Stephen Ford, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Syrian Arab Republic.

Jonathan Andrew Hatfield, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Corporation for National and Community Service.

Routine lists in the Marine Corps, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and Navy. **Pages S674–75**

**Nomination Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Larry Robinson, of Hawaii, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, which was sent to the Senate on February 4, 2010. **Page S675**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S616**

**Enrolled Bills Presented:** **Page S616**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S616–20**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S620–22**

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**Additional Statements:** **Pages S614–16**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S626–64**

**Notices of Hearings/Meetings:** **Pages S664–65**

**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S665**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—23) **Page S610**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 6:48 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 23, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S674.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### AFGHANISTAN

**Committee on Armed Services:** Committee received open and closed briefings to examine Operation Moshtarak in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from Michele A. Flournoy, Under Secretary for Policy, and Lieutenant General John M. Paxton, Jr., USMC, Director for Operations, J–3, the Joint Staff, both of the Department of Defense.

### FINANCIAL REGULATORS

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** on Friday, February 12, 2010, Subcommittee on Security and International Trade and Finance concluded a hearing to examine equipping financial regulators with the tools necessary to monitor systemic risk, after receiving testimony from Daniel K. Tarullo, Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Allan I. Mendelowitz, Washington, D.C., and John Liechty, State College, Pennsylvania, both of the Committee to Establish the National Institute of Finance; Robert Engle, New York University Stern School of Business, New York; and Stephen C. Horne, Dow Jones and Co., Edgewater, New Jersey.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 19 public bills, H.R. 4626–4644; and 15 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 236–237; and H. Res. 1081–1082, 1084–1094 were introduced. **Pages H646–47**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H647–49**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2314, to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States relationship with Native Hawaiians and to provide a process for the recognition by the United States of the Native Hawaiian governing entity (H. Rept. 111–412);

H. Res. 1083, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2314) to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States relationship with Native Hawaiians and to provide a process for the recognition by the United States of the Native Hawaiian governing entity (H. Rept. 111–413);

H.R. 3562, to designate the Federal building under construction at 1220 Echelon Parkway in Jackson, Mississippi, as the “Chaney, Goodman, Schwerner Federal Building”, with amendments (H. Rept. 111–414);

H. Res. 917, recognizing the Florida Keys Scenic Highway on the occasion of its designation as an All-American Road by the U.S. Department of

Transportation, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–415); and

H.R. 3695, to authorize funding for, and increase accessibility to, the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System, to facilitate data sharing between such system and the National Crime Information Center database of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and to provide incentive grants to help facilitate reporting to such systems, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–416). **Page H646**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Speier to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H611**

**Member Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Abercrombie, where he resigned as Representative for the First Congressional District of Hawaii, effective February 28, 2010. **Pages H611–12**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

**Martin G. “Marty” Mahar Post Office Designation Act:** H.R. 4425, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2–116th Street in North Troy, New York, as the “Martin G. ‘Marty’ Mahar Post Office” by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 330 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 49; **Pages H612–14, H623–24**

**W.D. Farr Post Office Building Designation Act:** H.R. 4238, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 930 39th Avenue in Greeley, Colorado, as the “W.D. Farr Post Office Building” by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 331 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 50; and **Pages H614–15, H624–25**

**Recognizing the 70th anniversary of John Mercer Langston Golf Course:** H. Res. 526, amended, to recognize the 70th anniversary of John Mercer Langston Golf Course. **Pages H615–17**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Recognizing the historical and cultural significance of the Langston Golf Course and its contributions to racial equality.”. **Page H617**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 3:07 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H623**

**Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed:** The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

**Supporting the goals and ideals of American Heart Month and National Wear Red Day:** H. Res. 1039, to support the goals and ideals of American Heart Month and National Wear Red Day. **Pages H617–18**

**Recognizing the significance of Black History Month:** H. Res. 1046, to recognize the significance of Black History Month. **Pages H618–21**

**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in memory of the late Honorable John P. Murtha. **Page H624**

**In Memory of the late Honorable John P. Murtha of Pennsylvania:** The House agreed to H. Res. 1084, expressing the condolences of the House on the death of the Honorable John P. Murtha, a Representative from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. **Pages H625–26**

**Whole Number of the House:** The Chair announced to the House that, in light of the passing of Representative Murtha of Pennsylvania, the whole number of the House is adjusted to 433. **Page H626**

**Committee to attend the funeral of the late Honorable John P. Murtha—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following Members of the House of Representatives to the committee to attend the funeral of the late Honorable John P. Murtha: Representatives Kanjorski and Pelosi; The members of the Pennsylvania delegation: Representatives Holden, Doyle, Fattah, Pitts, Brady, Platts, Shuster, Gerlach, Tim Murphy, Dent, Schwartz, Altmire, Carney, Patrick Murphy, Sestak, Dahlkemper; and Thompson; and Representatives Larson (CT), Becerra, Crowley, Wasserman Schultz, Rangel, Dicks, Kaptur, Levin, Mollohan, Slaughter, Taylor, Andrews, Moran (VA), Bishop (GA), Corrine Brown (FL), Eshoo, Kennedy, Berry, Kilpatrick (MI), Kucinich, McCarthy (NY), Pascrell, Reyes, Rothman, Capuano, Holt, Weiner, Ryan (OH), Matsui, Cohen, and Courtney. **Page H626**

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted to Congress the 2010 Economic Report of the President—referred to the Joint Economic Committee and ordered printed (H. Doc. 111–81). **Pages H621–23**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on pages H611, H621.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 2917 was held at the desk. **Page H611**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H623–24, H624–25. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 2 p.m. and at 10:12 p.m., pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1084, it stands adjourned in memory of the late Honorable John P. Murtha.

## Committee Meetings

### NATIVE HAWAIIAN GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION ACT

*The Committee on Rules:* granted, by a non-record vote, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2314, the Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act of 2009. The rule provides one hour of general debate in the House equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions of the bill. The rule makes in order the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules, if offered by Representative Abercrombie or his designee, which shall be separately debatable for 30 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment in the nature of a substitute in part A except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule makes in order the amendments printed in part B of the report to the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of the report. The amendments may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be in order without intervention of any point of order except those arising under clause 10 of rule XXI, shall be considered as read, and shall be separately debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments in part B of the report except for clause 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that during consideration of an amendment printed in part B of the report, the Chair may postpone the question of adoption as though under clause 8 of rule XX. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Rahall and Representatives Abercrombie and Hirono.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D94)

H.J. Res. 45, increasing the statutory limit on the public debt. Signed on February 12, 2010. (Public Law 111-139)

H.R. 730, to strengthen efforts in the Department of Homeland Security to develop nuclear forensics

capabilities to permit attribution of the source of nuclear material, and for other purposes. Signed on February 16, 2010. (Public Law 111-140)

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine the opportunities and challenges presented in increasing the number of electric vehicles in the light duty automotive sector, 10:15 a.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine proposed defense authorization request for fiscal year 2011 for the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SDG-50.

*Committee on the Budget:* to hold hearings to examine the defense budget and war costs, focusing on an independent look, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, to hold hearings to examine improving energy efficiency through technology and communications innovation, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine cybersecurity, focusing on the next steps to protect our critical infrastructure, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine trade and tax issues relating to small business job creation, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the U.S.-Nigeria relationship in a time of transition, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs, with the Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy and Global Women's Issues, to hold joint hearings to examine Afghan women and girls, focusing on building the future of Afghanistan, 3 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine census day, focusing on the progress report on the Census Bureau's preparedness for the enumeration, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine foreign libel lawsuits, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee:* to hold hearings to examine the road to economic recovery, focusing on policies to foster job creation and continued growth, 11:30 a.m., 2325 Rayburn Building.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 23 through February 27, 2010

### Senate Chamber

Senate will continue consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2847, Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Appropriations:* February 23, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine the opportunities and challenges presented in increasing the number of electric vehicles in the light duty automotive sector, 10:15 a.m., SD-192.

February 24, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of State and Foreign Operations, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

February 24, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Homeland Security, 2 p.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* February 23, to hold hearings to examine proposed defense authorization request for fiscal year 2011 for the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SDG-50.

February 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine contracting in a counterinsurgency, focusing on an examination of Blackwater-Paravant contract and the need for oversight, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

February 24, Full Committee, business meeting to consider any pending nominations, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

February 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Department of the Navy in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* February 25, to hold hearings to examine the semiannual Monetary Policy Report to the Congress, 9 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget:* February 23, to hold hearings to examine the defense budget and war costs, focusing on an independent look, 10 a.m., SD-608.

February 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal

year 2011 for the Department of Transportation, 9 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* February 23, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, to hold hearings to examine improving energy efficiency through technology and communications innovation, 10 a.m., SR-253.

February 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine cybersecurity, focusing on the next steps to protect our critical infrastructure, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

February 24, Subcommittee on Science and Space, to hold hearings to examine the challenges and opportunities in the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) fiscal year 2011 budget proposal, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

February 25, Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine aviation safety, focusing on one year after the crash of flight 3407, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* February 24, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Forest Service, 10 a.m., SD-366.

February 25, Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the science and policy behind the Federal framework and non-Federal efforts to prevent introduction of the aquatic invasive Asian carp into the Great Lakes, 10:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* February 23, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SD-406.

February 24, Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife, to hold hearings to examine legislative approaches to protecting, preserving and restoring great water bodies, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* February 23, to hold hearings to examine trade and tax issues relating to small business job creation, 10 a.m., SD-215.

February 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine certain nominations, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* February 23, Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the U.S.-Nigeria relationship in a time of transition, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

February 23, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs, with the Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy and Global Women's Issues, to hold joint hearings to examine Afghan women and girls, focusing on building the future of Afghanistan, 3 p.m., SD-419.

February 24, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 2961, to provide debt relief to Haiti, S. Res. 400, urging the implementation of a comprehensive strategy to address instability in Yemen, S. Res. 404, supporting full implementation of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement and other efforts to promote peace and stability in Sudan, and the nominations of Leocadia Irine Zak, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Trade and Development Agency, Walter Crawford Jones, of Maryland, to be

United States Director of the African Development Bank, and Douglas A. Rediker, of Massachusetts, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund, and Ian Hoddy Solomon, of Maryland, to be United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Donald E. Booth, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Bisa Williams, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Niger, Beatrice Wilkinson Welters, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, Scott H. DeLisi, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal, Harry K. Thomas, Jr., of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines, David Adelman, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, Rosemary Anne DiCarlo, of the District of Columbia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during her tenure of service as Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, and to be the Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador and the Deputy Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations, Brooke D. Anderson, of California, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, and to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, Allan J. Katz, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Portuguese Republic, Ian C. Kelly, of Maryland, to be U.S. Representative to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, with the rank of Ambassador, and Judith Ann Stewart Stock, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Educational and Cultural Affairs, all of the Department of State, and a promotion list in the Foreign Service; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine foreign policy priorities in the fiscal year 2011 International Affairs budget, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* February 24, to hold hearings to examine a stronger workforce investment system for a stronger economy, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* February 23, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine census day, focusing on the progress report on the Census Bureau's preparedness for the enumeration, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

February 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-342.

February 25, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight, to hold hearings to examine interagency con-

tracts (part I), focusing on an overview and recommendations for reform, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* February 25, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for tribal programs and initiatives, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* February 23, to hold hearings to examine foreign libel lawsuits, 10 a.m., SD-226.

February 24, Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law, to hold hearings to examine child prostitution and sex trafficking in the United States, 10:30 a.m., SD-226.

February 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Brian Anthony Jackson, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana, Elizabeth Erny Foote, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, Marc T. Treadwell, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia, and Josephine Staton Tucker, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, 2 p.m., SD-226.

February 25, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1789, to restore fairness to Federal cocaine sentencing, S. 1132, to amend title 18, United States Code, to improve the provisions relating to the carrying of concealed weapons by law enforcement officers, S. 2772, to establish a criminal justice reinvestment grant program to help States and local jurisdictions reduce spending on corrections, control growth in the prison and jail populations, and increase public safety, H.R. 1741, to require the Attorney General to make competitive grants to eligible State, tribal, and local governments to establish and maintain certain protection and witness assistance programs, S. 1624, to amend title 11 of the United States Code, to provide protection for medical debt homeowners, to restore bankruptcy protections for individuals experiencing economic distress as caregivers to ill, injured, or disabled family members, and to exempt from means testing debtors whose financial problems were caused by serious medical problems, S. 1765, to amend the Hate Crime Statistics Act to include crimes against the homeless, S. 1554, to amend the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 to prevent later delinquency and improve the health and well-being of maltreated infants and toddlers through the development of local Court Teams for Maltreated Infants and Toddlers and the creation of a National Court Teams Resource Center to assist such Court Teams, and the nominations of Dawn Elizabeth Johnsen, of Indiana, to be an Assistant Attorney General, William Joseph Hochul, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the Western District of New York, and Sally Quillian Yates, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia, all of the Department of Justice, and Gloria M. Navarro, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada, Audrey Goldstein Fleissig, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, Lucy Haeran Koh, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Jon E. DeGuilio, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Indiana, and Jane E. Magnus-Stinson and Tanya Walton Pratt,

both to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Indiana, 10 a.m., SD-226.

February 26, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Office of Professional Responsibility Investigation into the Office of Legal Counsel Memoranda, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* February 25, business meeting to consider S. 2989, to improve the Small Business Act, 10 a.m., SR-485.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* February 26, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* February 23, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

February 25, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

### House Committees

*Committee on Appropriations,* February 23, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the National Institute of Standards and Technology, 2 p.m., H-310 Capitol.

February 23, Subcommittee on Transportation Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on The Need to Invest in Housing and Economic Development: Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request for HUD, 1 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

February 24, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

February 24, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Legal Services Corporation, 10 a.m., and on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for Science and Technology, 2:30 p.m., H-310 Capitol.

February 24, Subcommittee on Defense, on Combat Aircraft Requirements, 10:30 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

February 24, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on U.S. Corps of Engineers, Fiscal Year 2011 Budget, 2 p.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

February 24, Subcommittee on Financial Services, and General Government, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the IRS, 10 a.m., 2358-A Rayburn.

February 24, Subcommittee on Interior and Environment, and Related Agencies, on Protecting Public Health and the Environment: EPA FY 2011 Budget Request, 2 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

February 24, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on Members of Congress and Public Witnesses, 10:15 a.m., H-144 Capitol.

February 24, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on American Battle Monuments Commission, 10 a.m., on U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, 10:30 a.m., on Arlington National Cemetery, 11 a.m., and on Armed Forces Retirement Home, 11:30 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

February 25, Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on Fort Hood, 2 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

February 25, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn, and on Biosurveillance: Smart Investments for Early Warning, 2 p.m., 2362-B Rayburn.

February 25, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, on Restoring America's Forests and Headwaters: Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for U.S. Forest Service, 9:30 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

February 25, Subcommittee State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Department of State, 1 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* February 23, hearing on Fiscal Year 2011 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the Department of the Air Force, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

February 24, hearing on Fiscal Year 2011 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the Department of the Navy, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

February 24, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing on energy management and initiatives on military installations, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

February 25, full Committee, hearing on Fiscal Year 2011 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the Department of the Army, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

February 25, Defense Acquisition Reform Panel, hearing on expert perspectives on managing the defense acquisition system and the defense acquisition workforce, 8 a.m., 2261 Rayburn.

February 25, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on private sector perspectives on Department of Defense information technology and cybersecurity activities, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* February 24, hearing on the Treasury Department Fiscal Year 2011 Budget, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

February 25, hearing on the Department of Education Fiscal Year 2011 Budget, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* February 23, hearing on Reducing the Growing Backlog of Contested Mine Safety Cases, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

February 24, full Committee, hearing on H.R. 4330, ALL-STAR Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* February 23, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Response by Toyota and NHTSA to Incidents of Sudden Unintended Acceleration, 11 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

February 24, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection and the Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet, joint hearing on The Collection and Use of Location Information for Commercial Purposes, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

February 24, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Premium Increases by Anthem Blue Cross in the Individual Health Insurance Market," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

February 25, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing entitled “Endocrine Disrupting Chemicals in Drinking Water: Risks to Human Health and the Environment,” 9:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

February 26, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Medical Radiation: An Overview of the Issues, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, February 23, hearing entitled “Prospects for Employment Growth: Is Additional Stimulus Needed?” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

February 24, hearing on the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on monetary policy and the state of the economy, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

February 25, hearing entitled “Compensation in the Financial Industry—Government Perspectives,” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

February 26, full Committee, and the Committee on Small Business, joint hearing entitled “Condition of Small Business and Commercial Real Estate Lending in Local Markets,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, February 24, Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight, Oversight hearing on Hard Lessons Learned in Iraq and Benchmarks for Future Reconstruction Efforts, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

February 25, full Committee, hearing on Promoting Security through Diplomacy and Development: The Fiscal Year 2011 International Affairs Budget, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, February 25, hearing entitled “The President’s Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request for the Department of Homeland Security,” 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, February 23, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on Keeping Youth Safe While in Custody: Sexual Assault in Adult and Juvenile Facilities, 4 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

February 24, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, oversight hearing on Recent Inspector General Reports Concerning the FBI, 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

February 25, full Committee, hearing on Competition in the Media and Entertainment Distribution Market, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, February 24, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1078, Harriet Tubman National Historical Park and Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad National Historical Park Act; H.R. 4003, Hudson River Valley Special Resource Study Act; H.R. 4192, Stornetta Public Lands Outstanding Natural Area Act of 2009; H.R. 1738, Downey Regional Water Reclamation and Groundwater Augmentation Project of 2009; H.R. 4252, Inland Empire Perchlorate Ground Water Plume Assessment Act of 2009; H.R. 765, Nellis Dunes National Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area Act of 2009; H.R. 1769, Alpine Lakes Wilderness Additions and Pratt and Middle Fork Snoqualmie Rivers Protection Act; H.R. 2788, Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial Act; and H.R. 4395, To revise the boundaries of the Get-

tysburg National Military Park to include the Gettysburg Train Station, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

February 25, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3511, Marianas Trench Marine National Monument Visitor Facility Authorization Act of 2009; and H.R. 4493, Bonitan Tasi, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

February 25, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2100, To provide for the conveyance of certain public lands in Mohave Valley, Mohave County, Arizona, administered by the Bureau of Land Management to the Arizona Game and Fish Department, for use as a public shooting range; H.R. 3425, To authorize the Fair Housing Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work on Federal land in the District of Columbia to commemorate the enactment of the Fair Housing Act of 1968; H.R. 4438, San Antonio Missions National Historical Park Leasing and Boundary Expansion Act of 2010; H.R. 4491, Buffalo Soldiers in the National Parks Study Act; and H.R. 4524, Blue Ridge Parkway Protection Act, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

February 24, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 3709, Geothermal Production Expansion Act, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

February 24, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, oversight hearing on the President’s Fiscal Year 2011 budget requests for the NOAA, the U.S. Office of Insular Affairs, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, February 23, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, hearing on H.R. 4489, Federal Employees Health Benefits Program (FEHBP) Prescription Drug Integrity, Transparency, and Cost Savings Act, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 24, full Committee, hearing entitled “Toyota Gas Pedals: Is the Public At Risk?” 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 24, Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives, hearing entitled “The 2010 Census Communications Contract: The Media Plan in Hard to Count Areas,” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 24, Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, to continue hearings entitled “Sexual Assault in the Military: Are We Making Progress?” 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

February 25, full Committee, pending business, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 25, Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, hearing entitled “Foreclosures Continue: What Needs to Change in the Administration’s Response,” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, February 23, to consider Health Insurance Fair Competition Act, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science and Technology*, February 23, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on the State of Research Infrastructure at U.S. Universities, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.



February 24, full Committee, hearing on the Administration's Fiscal Year 2011 Research and Development Budget Proposal, 9:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

February 24, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing on How Can NIST Better Serve the Needs of the Biomedical Research Community in the 21st Century? 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

February 25, full Committee, hearing on NASA's Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request and Issues, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, February 23, hearing on Recovery Act: One-Year Progress Report for Transportation and Infrastructure Investments, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

February 25, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Coast Guard, the Maritime Administration and the Federal Maritime Commission, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

February 25, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on EDA: Lessons Learned From the Recovery Act and New Plans to Strengthen Economic Development, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, February 23, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on the Veterans Health Administration's Fiscal Year 2011 Budget, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

February 23, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General and Office of Information Technology Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2011, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

February 24, full Committee, hearing Exploring the Relationship between Medication and Veteran Suicide, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

February 24, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing Examination of the VA Benefits Delivery at Discharge and Quick Start Programs, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

February 25, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3257, Military Family Leave Act of 2009; H.R. 3484, To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the authority for certain

qualifying work-study activities for purposes of the educational assistance programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 3579, To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an increase in the amount of the reporting fees payable to educational institutions that enroll veterans receiving educational assistance from the Department of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 3813, Veterans Training Act; H.R. 3948, Test Prep for Heros Act; H.R. 3976, Helping Heroes Keep Their Homes Act of 2009; H.R. 4079, To amend title 38, United States Code, to temporarily remove the requirement for employers to increase wages for veterans enrolled in on-the-job training programs; H.R. 4203, To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of the Veterans Affairs to provide veterans certain educational assistance payments through direct deposit; H.R. 4359, WARMER Act; and H.R. 4469, To amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to provide for protection of child custody arrangements for parents who are members of the Armed Forces deployed in support of a contingency operation, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

February 25, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Gulf War Illness: The Future for Dissatisfied Veterans, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, February 24, executive, briefing on the Google Hacking Incident, 9 a.m., 304-HVC.

February 25, full Committee, executive, briefing on Cyber Security Defense, 9 a.m., 304-HVC.

February 26, full Committee, executive, briefing on Radicalization Analysis, 9 a.m., and executive, briefing on Fiscal Year 2011 Intelligence Budget for Research and Development, 11 a.m., 304-HVC.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee*: February 23, to hold hearings to examine the road to economic recovery, focusing on policies to foster job creation and continued growth, 11:30 a.m., 2325 Rayburn Building.

*Joint Economic Committee*: February 26, to hold hearings to examine the road to economic recovery, focusing on prospects for jobs and growth, 10:30 a.m., 2325 Rayburn Building.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Tuesday, February 23

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond one hour), Senate will continue consideration of the amendment of the House of Representatives to the amendment of the Senate to H.R. 2847, Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 23

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of the following suspensions: 1) H. Res. 1066—Recognizing the bravery and efforts of

the United States Armed Forces, local first responders, and other members of Operation Unified Response; 2) H. Res. 1059—Honoring the heroism of the seven United States Agency for International Development and Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance supported urban search and rescue teams deployed to Haiti; 3) H. Res. 1074—Honoring the life of Miep Gies, who aided Anne Frank's family while they were in hiding and preserved her diary for future generations; 4) H. Res. 944—Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives on religious minorities in Iraq; 5) H. Res. 1048—Commending the efforts and honoring the work of the men and women of USNS Comfort and the United States Navy in the immediate response to those affected by the earthquake that struck Haiti on January 12, 2010; 6) H.R. 3695—Billy's Law; 7) H. Con. Res. 227—Supporting the goals and ideals of National Urban Crimes Awareness Week; and 8) H. Res. 274—Expressing support for designation of March as National Nutrition Month. Consideration of H.R. 2314—Native Hawaiian Government Reorganization Act (Subject to a Rule).

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